

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 and 32-35 are pending in this application and stand ready for further action on the merits.

37 CFR § 1.132 Declaration

Further to filing an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 on April 22, 2010, Applicants respectfully submit the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 by Mr. Kazuto Nagata, who is a co-inventor of the present invention.

Applicants submitted additional experimental results (*as an attachment*) with the Amendment filed on April 22, 2010. Applicants now respectfully submit herewith the same additional experimental results in the form of a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, to ensure that proper consideration is provided to the same by the USPTO. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the present Declaration be made record.

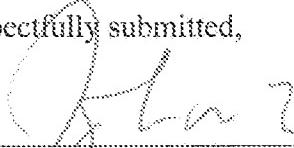
Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Bailey, Registration No. 32,881 at the telephone number of the undersigned below to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Director is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge any fees required during the pendency of the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 by Mr. Kazuto Nagata (9 pages)